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SUBJECT: US/RP ECONOMIC NEGOTIATIONS

1. US NEGOTIATING PANEL HAD FIRST MEETING WITH GOP
PANEL ON 5 JULY 74. MEETING CHAIRED BY ASSISTANT
SECRETARY BARRERA AND CO-CHAIRMAN AMBASSADOR WILFREDO
VEGA AND ARNOLD. GOP TECHNICAL PANEL COMPOSED OF
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2. DIRECTOR-GENERAL SICAT GREETED US PANEL AND
THEN WITHDREW FROM PROCEEDINGS. AFTER PRELIMINARIES
ARNOLD REVIEWED US DRAFT TREATY AND GOP PANEL HAD
QUESTIONS CONCERNING TRA STATUS AND US PANEL AUTHORITY
TO NEGOTIATE ON TRADE MATTERS. GOP PANEL STATED WOULD
PREPARE DRAFT AGENDA FOR PRESENTATION AT NEXT MEETING.

3. GOP PANEL ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN GSP PRODUCT
COVERAGE AND IN CRITERIA FOR WAIVER OF COMPETITIVE NEED
CEILINGS.

4. US PANEL INDICATED INTEREST IN OBTAINING LIST OF
PRODUCTS IN WHICH GOP WILL REQUEST TRADE CONCESSIONS.

5. NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR 3:00 P.M., CENTRAL
BANK BUILDING WITH LUNCHEON WITH SEC VIRATA AT NOON.
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